GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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PASSENGERS BEING THROWN OUT
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are aware that the cases of railway staff and passengers being thrown out from running trains have increased recently;

(b) if so, the number of such cases reported during the last three years; and

(c) the action taken/ proposed to be taken to prevent such incidents in the future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI R. VELU)

(a): Yes, Sir. But there is no increase in cases of thrown out of railway staff and passengers.

(b): The number of thrown out of passengers including Railway staff reported over Zonal Railways during the last three years i.e. 2005, 2006 and 2007 are as under :-

Year	Number of cases reported
2005	11
2006	9
2007	9

(c): The following preventive measures have been taken for the security of passengers:-

1. About 2200 important mail / express trains are being escorted by GRP and about 1250 trains are being escorted by RPF on daily basis for providing security to passengers in vulnerable sections.

2. The train escorting parties are being briefed to remain extra vigilant in trains especially in crime prone / vulnerable sections.

3. Regular coordination meetings are being conducted with State Police and Government Railway Police to discuss crime trends and formulate effective strategies to contain such crimes.

4. Ladies' compartments of sub-urban trains are normally being escorted by GRP. Special Squads comprising women TTEs and women RPF personnel are deployed in vulnerable sub-urban sections, especially during the non-peak hours when likelihood of commission of crime against women is more.

5. Regular drives are conducted by RPF against male passengers travelling in ladies compartments, anti-social elements creating nuisance in Railway premises as well as in trains etc. and the offenders detected are prosecuted under the provisions of the Railways Act.